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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
3120  
(UT-922)

August 12, 2008

### Decision to Lease

Approximately 59,714.00 acres of public lands (42 parcels) generally available for oil and gas leasing under Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land use plans were nominated for the oil and gas lease sale scheduled to be held on August 19, 2008. An additional 118,047.73 acres (80 parcels) from the deferred lands list for Cedar City Field Office were also reviewed.

Based on findings, determinations, and recommendations from the Price, Richfield, and Vernal BLM Field Office Managers, I have decided to offer approximately 836.77 acres on 4 parcels of BLM-administered lands in the Price, Richfield and Vernal Field Offices with appropriate conditions and stipulations. This proposal also includes the offering of two parcels (UT0508-010 and UT0508-011, totaling approximately 1,054.48 acres) located within the boundaries of the Vernal Field Office which were sold in the June 2008 lease sale, but the bids were rejected because the remainder of the bonus bids was not timely paid. I have also decided to offer approximately 80,454.71 acres on 56 parcels based the analysis contained in EA No. UT-040-08-036 addressing oil and gas leasing in the eastern portion of the Cedar City Field Office and on the decision record signed by the Color Country District Manager on August 12, 2008.

The lands to be offered were published and posted in BLM's Public Room and on BLM's internet site on July 2, 2008, and the list of lands to be offered is modified by the attached Errata Sheet, removing 622.28 acres from two parcels and adding stipulations to two parcels.

All of the parcels have been reviewed to determine if existing planning and NEPA documents adequately address the issues and environmental consequences of leasing at this time. My decision to offer parcels in the Price, Richfield and Vernal Field Offices is based on the findings and recommendations made in the relevant field offices' Determinations of NEPA Adequacy (DNAs) and modifications made by the Utah State Office Energy Support Team. The documentation to support leasing the two Vernal Field Office parcels which are being re-offered from the June 2008 lease sale is contained in the administrative record for the

June 5, 2008 lease sale. Leasing of parcels within the Cedar City Field Office is based on Environmental Assessment UT-040-08-036 (*Oil & Gas Leasing in the Eastern Portion of the Cedar City Field Office*).

Approved: /s/ Kent Hoffman  
Kent Hoffman  
Deputy State Director  
Division of Lands and Minerals

## **ERRATA SHEET**

This Errata Sheet will correct the Notice of Competitive Lease Sale scheduled to be held in our office on Tuesday, August 19, 2008.

**1. Description and Acreage Amended:**

**UTU86503**

(UT0808-075)

T. 38 S., R. 11 W., Salt Lake

Sec. 7: W2E2, SENE;

Sec. 17: Lots 10, 15, 18, 19, 22-24;

Sec. 18: Lots 1, 9, 10, W2NE, E2NW.

**760.70 Acres**

Iron County, Utah

Cedar City Field Office

**2. Stipulation Added:**

**UTU86450**

(UT0808-081)

T. 25 S., R. 1 W., Salt Lake

Sec. 35: NWSE excluding 3.64 acres.

**36.36 Acres**

Sevier County, Utah

Richfield Field Office

**STIPULATION**

**UT-S-07: Deer and Elk Crucial Winter/Spring Range on the entire lease from December 15 thru May 15.**

**3. Subject to a Pre-sale Offer:**

**UTU86451**

(UT0808-001)

T. 28 S., R. 6 W., Salt Lake

Sec. 6: Lots 3-6, 11-14, E2SW;

Sec. 7: Lots 1-4, E2W2.

**655.74 Acres**

Beaver County, Utah

Cedar City Field Office

**4. Notice Added:**

**UTU86503**

(UT0808-075)

T. 38 S., R. 11 W., Salt Lake

Sec. 7: W2E2, SENE;

Sec. 17: Lots 10, 15, 18, 19, 22-24;

Sec. 18: Lots 1, 9, 10, W2NE, E2NW.

**760.70 Acres**

Iron County, Utah

Cedar City Field Office

**NOTICE**

**UT-LN-89: Visual Resources**

5. **Stipulation Added:**

**UTU86507**

(UT0808-082)

T. 19 S., R. 2 E., Salt Lake

Sec. 18: E2NE, NESE.

120.00 Acres

Sanpete County, Utah

Richfield Field Office

**STIPULATION**

**UT-S-07:**        **Deer and Elk Crucial Winter/Spring Range on the entire lease from  
December 15 thru May 15.**

6. **Acreage Amended:**

**UTU86510**

(UT0508-010)

T. 4 S., R. 20 E., Salt Lake

Sec. 3: Lots 1-6, 8, 9, S2NW, W2SE, SESE;

Sec. 4: Lots 1, 2, S2NE, S2.

**878.29** Acres

Uintah County, Utah

Vernal Field Office